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SUBJECT: EOP – "Take Our Daughters (and Sons) To Work Day"

<u>Purpose.</u> To provide information.

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On Thursday, April 26, 2001, the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Tennessee will participate in "Take Our Daughters To Work Day." This year's theme is, "Girl Force of Today is the Work Force of Tomorrow."

The Ms. Foundation for Women has set aside the fourth Thursday of April to bring girls and young women into the workplace. This day is dedicated to building self-esteem and inspiring career visions in young girls, between the ages of nine and fifteen. It provides an opportunity to help young girls realize their own career potential. While this event is geared toward young girls, boys are not excluded and encouraged to participate.

In 1993, the Ms. Foundation for Women started a revolutionary public education campaign to ensure girls ages nine to fifteen stay strong and remain confident. Since the first "Take Our Daughters to Work Day," millions of girls have participated in the program and are now entering the workforce secure in their capabilities and confident in their dreams.

Participating in "Take Our Daughters To Work Day" is easy and fun. The first thing you need to do is ask a nine to fifteen year old in your life – a daughter, a son, a granddaughter, grandson, niece, nephew, neighbor, friend etc. – if they want to go to work with you, perhaps they have a friend who would like to come along too. Find out what they want to do, interview coworkers, and learn about the different jobs that men and women do, or try their hand at something new.

If an NRCS employee wants to sponsor a child at their place of work we must stress the safety for the children. This will be for WORK DONE AT THE OFFICE ONLY. Participants will not be allowed to go out into the field. We appreciate your understanding and support in this matter.

After registering, participants will receive an official certificate for taking part in the annual event. To register, please send Paula Schroth, FWPM, the following information: name, age, office visited, activities done and name of sponsor bringing participant(s) to work. Please fax this information to Paula at: (615)893-9136.

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